The South 40

Conditions are right now for overseeding land with clover

By JAMES A. SMITH
Extension Agent

Recent rains have left pastures and hay land just right to overseed with clover. We can't over-emphasize the importance of maintaining an acceptable level of clover in hay and pasture stands.

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Top dressing small grain must be a priority item. It's a job that should have been done, but weather has kept growers out of the field. Examine the grain closely; if it has started to joint, cut back on the nitrogen by ½. For example, if you planned to apply 60 pounds of N, cut back to 40 pounds N.

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There is some interest among area dairymen and beef producers to develop a slaughter cow market, using the Tel-O-Auction program.

Some figures being circulated go like this. For high dressing cutter and boning utility cows sold on foot at local markets, bring 98c. This makes a 1,000 pound cow bring $380.00. Experience with the Tel-O-Auction program would indicate the same cow with 48% dressing percentage equals a 480 pound carcass worth 83c or $398.00. This suggests a $10-$20 advantage when moving a 40-45,000 pound truckload.

If you are interested in pursuing this marketing process further, you are invited to attend a meeting March 15, 12:30 p.m., at the Campbell County Extension Office Conference Room in the Library-Agriculture Building, Rustburg.

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M-H 30 will be marketed this year as a wettable powder. It's less costly to transport and it goes into solution readily.

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Nesting tobacco, particularly in Flue tobacco, continues to be a problem.

Beginning with the 1983 and subsequent crops, growers will be required to certify in writing at the ASCS Office that any tobacco they deliver to Stabilization for price support has not been nested. Producers found to have knowingly delivered nested tobacco for official inspection will not be eligible for price support for any tobacco marketed during the year in which the false certification occurred.

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The quality strawberry producer still uses a mulch to prevent berries from being soiled, to reduce weed in case of wet weather, to protect the buds from cold weather, to help control erosion and provide cleaner picking conditions.

With all these good reasons to put straw in place, it is a dusty, dirty job - - particularly if you are using small grain straw and the price is going up. Even though the straw is treated with methyl bromide, some seed still come through, creating a problem.

One grower has been able to provide a mulch that does all the things that I have discussed without the disadvantages of putting mulch in place. In September he sows spring oats. They sprout and grow rapidly without herbicide residue and are killed down by hard freezes in December, providing a dead mulch that has grown in place. He gets all the advantages, plus it doesn't blow away.

If you want to try this method, you'll need to purchase your oat seed now. Use high quality certified seed to avoid weed seeds and insure good germination. Seed at rate of 2-3 bushels per acre. The varieties Lang, Otee, Clintford, Noble and Orbit are recommended.

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Don't overlook putting implants into beef steer calves.

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Watch out for Grass Tetany. Cattle need ½ to 1 ounce of magnesium oxide daily.

A good way to feed it is to make a 1:1:1 mix of trace mineralized salt, magnesium oxide and cottonseed meal (other oil meal or finely cracked corn). This would be fed free choice.

Dicalcium phosphate fed separately would furnish the animals calcium and phosphorus needs.

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If you plan to attend the area tobacco meeting March 17, we need to know by Thursday, March 10.

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The Appomattox Cattlemen's Association meets Tuesday, March 15, at Elon Baptist Church, Pamplin, 6:30 p.m. Meal charge is $4.00.

K. C. Williamson, Extension Animal Scientist, will discuss the economics and management of grazing feeder cattle.

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Nomination for the Lynchburg Spring Feeder Sales are due March 10.

SALLY LANE DEMONSTRATES use of Westvaco's computer to students in the Eighth Grade Science Special Interest Group at Appomattox Middle School during a recent visit.

Students visit Westvaco

The Eighth Grade Science Special Interest Group at Appomattox Middle School visited Westvaco Timberlands Division Headquarters to see how the company uses computers.

Mrs. Sally Lane, forester, demonstrated how the computer is used to draw maps and calculate forest inventory data.

The students also observed a plotter which takes information that has been put into the computer system, automatically plots and then mechanically draws the map for various forest management activities such as tree planting, road construction and timber harvest.

The students saw a Stereoscope which takes a pair of specially prepared aerial photographs and combines them into a three dimensional image. A map of the same area can be inserted into the machine and adjusted to the same scale.

Ms. Peggy Gertner, forestry technician, demonstrated the newest computer forestry management program that Westvaco is using.

Mr. David Coffman explained that the computer allows the company to make more efficient use of personal time. The computer allows company foresters to look at lots of data and consider all the options such as wild life, water shed management, soil protection, air quality and the best utilization of the timber resources. With more information Westvaco is able to make better planning and forest management decisions.

Students to compete

First place junior and senior FFA parliamentary procedure teams from each of the seven federations of Southside Virginia will compete for the area championship at Appomattox County High School, Tuesday, March 15.

Parliamentary procedure competition is a Future Farmers of America leadership training activity. It includes demonstrating ceremonies for opening and closing meetings, and solving a parliamentary problem extemporaneously. Each team is composed of eight FFA members and an advisor.

B.K. Waddell, instructor of agricultural education in the host school, is in charge of local arrangements for the contest.

The Hub Federation will be represented by the Appomattox Senior FFA chapter in the senior contest and by Appomattox Middle team in the junior contest.

ASCS Today

By TOM CONRAD

PIK Signup Deadline Nears - The Deadline for signing up in the payment-in-kind (PIK) program is March 11.

The PIK program gives farmers an opportunity to reduce production and reduce surplus stocks without adding to government outlays. When producers sign up, they contract to receive a certain amount of bushels or pounds of the commodity they would have produced on PIK acres.

Farmers can remove some of their land from production and still have a crop.

Designed to bring supplies more in line with demand, the PIK program encourages farmers to further reduce 1983 crop acreages of wheat, corn and sorghum from the previously announced programs.

For PIK diversion, the farm operator may sign up to divert a part of the crop acreage base or bid to divert the whole crop acreage base. The operator determines at signup the amount which will become part of the PIK contract and the maximum permitted planted acreage.

A farmer who wishes to take his entire base acreage out of production may bid to do so by specifying the percent of the farm yield that he will accept in return for diverting all of his acreage. He may bid any amount but it must be no more than the offer rate for the 10-30 PIK.

Conservation use acreage eligibility requirements would be the same as previously announced 1983 programs, except haying and grazing will be permitted on winter wheat planted before the announcement of PIK. Under summer fallow rules, PIK acreage will have to be acreage that would have been planted for harvest in 1983.

The March 11 deadline will not be extended. Therefore, farmers who have not signed up should do so as soon as possible.

Woman convicted of fraud

An Appomattox woman has been convicted of food stamp and aid to dependent children fraud in Appomattox circuit court.

Margie K. Barnstetter Coker pleaded guilty to receiving $267 in the food stamp program and $264 in the aid to dependent children program during September and October of 1982. During those months, she was ineligible to receive funds through those programs, according to the Appomattox County Department of Social Services.

Judge J.R. Snoddy, Jr., sentenced her to four years in the penitentiary, suspended on good behaviour. She was given four years probation, and has made restitution of the $531 which she received while ineligible.

The Department of Social Services also reports that Bernard Carpenter, who was found guilty of food stamp fraud Dec. 8, 1981, has made restitution of $770 to the Appomattox County Department of Social Services.

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Hollywood

By MARY BAGBY

Ye shall receive power, after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you; and ye shall be witnesses unto me both in Jerusalem, and in all Judaea, and in Samaria, and unto the uttermost part of the earth. (Acts 1:8)

We were sorry to hear of the deaths last week of Mr. Reggie Stanley and Mr. Andy Scruggs. Sincere sympathy is extended to both their families and love ones.

We are very sorry to hear Mr. Henry Earl Covington is a patient in the University Hospital in Charlottesville. We pray he may have a very speedy recovery.

We are glad Janet Austin is able to be out again after having a virus several days last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Rufus Cawthorne were dinner guest Friday night of Mr. Steve Cawthorne at Maude's in Appomattox.

Mr. Thomas Woodall spent Monday night with Mr. and Mrs. James Rondurant and Mr. Frank Covington of Marietta, Ohio.

Mrs. Aaron Wilson of Pamplin spent a few days last week with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Coffey of Covington.

Our sincere sympathy is extended to the family and love ones of Mr. Cameron Sandidge of Buena Vista, Va. who passed away last week. He was the uncle of Mrs. Aaron Wilson and Mrs. Ruby Woodall.

Mrs. Mary Cawthorne of St. Petersburg, Fla. is hoame from the hospital after surgery. Mrs. Cawthorne is the sister of Mr. Carey Carson of Stonewall.

Mr. and Mrs. Ross Hodgins, Brad, Glen and Melissa of Newton, N.J. visited Mr. and Mrs. Rufus Cawthorne last week end. Mrs. Hodgins is the daughter of the late Mr. William Leroy Caldwell.

Mr. and Mrs. Scott Woodall of Lynchburg spent Saturday with Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Woodall and family.

Mr. and Mrs. L.L. Webb and Miss Joyce Webb spent Wednesday with Mrs. Lawrence Woodson.

Mr. and Mrs. Rufus Cawthorne called in the homes of Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Ford and Mrs. Mary Bagby Saturday.

We're so glad to hear Mrs. W.Y. Payne of Pamplin is home from the hospital. Our prayers are with her and her love ones.

Visiting Mr. and Mrs. Robert Coleman last week were Mrs. James Conner, Mrs. Lave Torrence, Mrs. Mabel Ferguson, Mr. Harry Jenkins, Mr. Barksdale Spiggle and Mr. Billy Ferguson.

We are so glad to hear Mr. Charles Hanenkrat has returned home from the hospital. We wish him a speedy recovery.

Mrs. Ola Walker of Salem spent Saturday night and Sunday with her niece, Mrs. Kenneth Deaner and family.

We were very sorry to hear of the illness of Mrs. Gladys Coleman Wilkerson of Crewe. She is a patient in a hospital in Richmond. Our prayers are with her and her love ones.

Mrs. Jerry Kendricks, Jeff and Jody Kendricks were dinner guests Sunday of Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Almond.

Mr. Nat Ferguson visited his sister, Mrs. Madeline Inge Saturday. Mr. and Mrs. Rufus Cawthorne called in this home in the afternoon.

Mr. Mack Coleman and Mrs. Hilda Allen visited Mr. Coleman's sister, Mrs. Gladys Wilkerson at the Johnson Willis Hospital in Richmond Sunday.

Mrs. Aaron Wilson and son, Wesley, and Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Woodall and daughter, Lisa, attended the funeral of their uncle Cameron Sandidge of Buena Vista Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Edd Anderson and grandson, Ian, visited Mr. and Mrs. L.L. Webb and Miss Joyce Webb Sunday afternoon.

Messers Walker and Richard Webb visited Mr. and Mrs. Elmo Smith and Mr. Howard Smith Sunday afternoon.

Mr. Howard Smith will enter the Virginia Baptist Hospital Tuesday and will have eye surgery Wednesday. His many friends and relatives wish for him a very speedy recovery.

Visiting Mr. and Mrs. Monroe Webb Sunday were Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Franklin, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Webb, Becky and Brandy Webb visited Mr. and Mrs. Webb Saturday. Others visiting in this home were Mr. Walker Webb, Mrs. Marshall Goin, Beverly Goin, Mrs. Willie Craft and Becky Craft. Keith Webb spent Friday night with Mr. and Mrs. Webb.

Calling in the home of Mrs. Mary Bagby were Ruby, Lisa and Misty Woodall, Katherine and Julia Wingfield, Dawn Deaner, Mr. Alfred Almond and Mr. James Maxwell.

Mt. Pleasant news

The community was saddened with the deaths of Tyrone Bennett Jackson and Mrs. Christine Washington. Our sympathies are extended to the families.

The Pastor's Aid Club will celebrate their anniversary the third Sunday of this month at 3 p.m. The Rev. Edward Austin of Madison Heights will be guest speaker. He will appear with his choir.

The senior choir will rehearse Wednesday at 5:45 p.m. Bible study is scheduled for 7 p.m.

The Pastor's Aid Club will meet Saturday at 2:30 p.m., and the Ladies Aid Group will meet Saturday at 4 p.m.

A sunrise service will be conducted at Mt. Pleasant this Sunday at 5:30 a.m. Our pastor will deliver the sermon.

The church anniversary celebration is scheduled for the third Sunday in September at 3 p.m.

MAYOR RONALD C. SPIGGLE signed a proclamation last week designating March 6-12 "Girl Scout Week" in Appomattox. Spiggle, shown above with members of local Brownie Troop No. 308 and Junior Troop No. 322, called on local citizens to give continued interest, cooperation and support to the Girl Scout program throughout 1983.

Promise Land

"If we live in the Spirit, let us also walk in the Spirit."

We invite each and everyone to regular preaching service Sunday, March 13, 1983 at 11 a.m. and to Sunday School at 10 a.m.

The Chancellor Choir will have rehearsal Saturday, March 12, 1983 at 1:30 p.m. We urge all members to attend and invite any new members who would like to join to come.

Let us remembr the sick and shut-in. Mrs. Margaret Forrest has returned home from Lynchburg General Hospital. Prayers go out to her and to Mrs. Mary Fleshman. Mrs. Annie Harvey, Mr. Willie Harvey, and Mrs. Pauline Hancock.

St. Luke news

Even though it was quite a rainy day, a large crowd of friends and members of St. Luke Baptist Church attended the regular 11 a.m. preaching service. The rev. James Johnson was in charge and gave a message taken from St. Luke 18 chapter, verse 1. His subject was "Up To Jerusalem." It was very impressive. The Senior Choir gave the music.

The Rev. Johnson's wife was among the visitors. Communion was carried out with much feeling. The offering was good.

The Baptist Church Bible Institute will begin a meeting March 20 at 7 p.m. at the Greenspring Baptist Church each p.m. from 7 to 9 going through March 25. All are invited to please attend. Deacon D.L. Moore is in charge. The Rev. Carlton Jackson is pastor.

A special feautre was held at St. Luke's at the morning service. Mr. and Mrs. Robert Thornton's girls, Lorinda and Letita presented piano solos, Sweet Hour of prayer and Jesus Loves Me. They are three and six years of age. It was very much enjoyed by all.

Mrs. Thelma Bradley is home again from the hospital. Our prayers go out for all the sick and hsut-in in our community.

Zion Baptist

By SUSIE HUNTER

"I was glad when they said unto me, let us go into the House of the Lord."

Regular preaching service was held at the Zion Baptist Church Sunday. The Rev. Charles Lewis preached a challenging message. Everyone enjoyed the service.

The Ladies Aid will meet on Sunday at the church at 2 p.m. All members are asked to be present.

You are cordially invited to attend the deaconess anniversary service on Sunday at 4 p.m. The Rev. James Miller and his choir will be the special guests.

The Pastors Aid will meet Wed., March 9 at the church at 7 p.m.

The Deaconess will meet Tuesday at 6:30 p.m. at the home of Mrs. Etta Edwards.

Mrs. Barbara Wesley, Mrs. Bessie Coles, and Mr. Andrew Mack have returned home from the hospital and they are doing nicely. The other sick ones are improving and we are praying for all of them.

The Rev. Wyatt Venable will preach the Sunrise Service at the Zion Baptist Church on Easter Sunday at 6 a.m. Following the service breakfast will be served in the dining hall at the church.

The flu bug is flying around; several of this community are confined with the flu.

The Senior Usher Board of Zion Baptist Church attended the Galilee Senior Ushers 16th Anniversary service at Appomattox Sunday at 3 p.m. It

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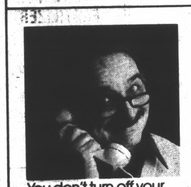

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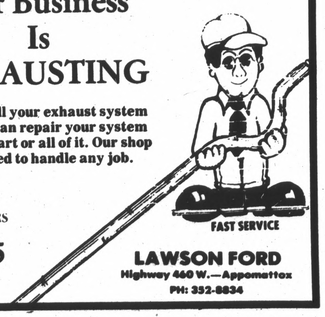

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Mt. Airy news

The Echoes of Glory will sing at Mt. Airy Baptist Church on the second Sunday in March at 3 p.m. The program will benefit the Young Adult Choir.

A Key Rally will be sponsored by the combined choirs of the church on the third Sunday in March, at 3 p.m. Plan now to attend this musical program.

The Appomattox County High School Chorale will be in concert March 27 at the church. The program will benefit the Junior Chour.

The Love of God gospel singers will be in concert at the church the second Sunday in April at 3 p.m. This program will be sponsored by the Young Adult Choir.

The Usher's Board will hold their anniversary celebration the fourth Sunday in April at 7 p.m.

The Diamond Hill Men's Chorus will give a concert at Mt. Airy on the fourth Sunday in May at 3 p.m. This will be to benefit the church organ fund.

Mt. Shiloh church news

Regular preaching services will be held at Mt. Shiloh Baptist Church this Sunday at 11 a.m. Guest speaker will be the Rev. Raymond Turner.

Plans are being made for the anniversary celebration of the Willing Workers Club, to be held the third Sunday in March.

The monthly meeting of the Appomattox Chapter of the NAACP will be held this Monday at 7 p.m. at Springfield Baptist Church. The chapter was saddened recently by the sudden death of one of its faithful members, Mrs. Christine Walker Washington. Please continue your prayers for the family.

Mr. Lawrence Tanner of Baltimore, Md., is spending time with relatives at home.

Many on our sick list are getting better. Please continue to pray for the sick everywhere.

Revival services slated

Revival services will be held at the Jesus Center of Refuge and Hope from March 13 through March 20.

"Let's Go Higher" will be the theme of this great week of outreach and revival services.

Speakers for the week are as follows:

Sunday, 7 p.m.: Elder Alfred Jones, pastor of the Jesus Center;

Monday through Thursday, 7 p.m.: Elder N. Carter, associate minister of the First Church of Jesus in Lynchburg;

Friday through Sunday morning, 7 p.m. and 11 a.m.: minister Milton Johnson, associate minister of the Ebenezer Holiness Church, Richmond.

Family and Friends Day will be sponsored by the Jesus Center on March 20 at 3:30 p.m. This service will be held at the Appomattox Elementary School. Elder Jones will deliver the message. Music will be provided by the Brothers of Faith of Lynchburg.

Health fair planned at River Ridge March 18, 19

The Central Virginia Health Departments are presenting the third annual Health Fair, to be held at River Ridge Mall, March 18 and 19, from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m.

This year's fair is organized around a circus theme, and its slogan is "Good Health! The Greatest Show on Earth". The theme and slogan have been chosen to encourage everyone to take an active part in promoting and maintaining a healthy life style.

The public is invited to participate in free blood pressure screening, lead, anemia and diabetes testing, as well as a physical fitness assessment.

Featured events are: Family Planning Film Festival: Friday 5:30 p.m. to 9:00 p.m., Magic Show: Friday and Saturday, 7:30 p.m. to 8 p.m.; Balloon Sculpturing: Friday and Saturday evening; Tooth Brush Exchange: All day Saturday.

Souvenirs include helium balloons and buttons, and cartons of milk and juice. The Environmental Health section is offering a discount coupon for feine rabies immunizations. Knowledgeable health department personnel will be on hand to offer information and counseling as it relates to their exhibits.

The 15 exhibits to be featured include a Health Fair "Ticket Booth," an exhibit on hypertension, an exhibit on physical fitness, an exhibit on nutrition, an exhibit on family planning, an exhibit on communicable diseases, an exhibit on diabetes, an exhibit on anemia, an exhibit on lead poisoning prevention, an exhibit on sickle-cell anemia, an exhibit on cancer, an exhibit on home health, a dental exhibit, an exhibit on mothers and children, an an exhibit on environmental health.

Talent tickets available

Tickets for the forthcoming County Wide Talent Show to be held on Friday evening, March 25 at 7:30 in the Appomattox County High School Auditorium are available; they may be obtained by contacting the Appomattox County Extension Office, phone 352-8244. The Appomattox Hardware Company, or any member of the Assembly. Adult tickets are $1.50; under 12 years of age, .50.

A 16-Hour course in basic bookkeeping will begin at the Appomattox County High School, Room 301, on Thursday, March 17. Total cost is $22.50. Interested individuals may call T.A. Chilton at 352-2284 or the Appomattox County School Board Office 352-8253. Only a few vacancies remain.